

To Dr. Stokes,

I am writing to ask you to please end lethal animal-poisoning tests. NIEHS should adopt the new non-animal test methods immediately. The non-animal test methods have been considered for almost 20 years, and animals should not continue to die and suffer because of bureaucratic inertia. NIEHS recommends using the non-animal method to set the starting dose for further animal-poisoning tests. While this may reduce the number of animals murdered in the acute poisoning studies, it does not go far enough.

Government agencies should use in vitro cell culture tests to completely replace the use of animals in lethal dose tests. There is enough violence in the world. Let's put an end to that which is within our power to do.

"The greatness of a nation can be judged by how it treats its animals."

-Ghandi

Thank you for your time,

Sarah